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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This paper is filed in response to the Office action mailed on August 27, 2004 (the "Office action"), having a period of response extending through and including September 27, 2004.

The Office action indicates that claims 1-31 are subject to a restriction requirement. As indicated on Page 2 of the Office action, it is alleged that the application contains two distinct inventions:

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Group I:

Claims 1-26 and 29-31, drawn to a method of conducting a chemical

reaction in the presence of a catalyst, classified in class 205, subclass 413;

and

Group II:

Claims 27-28, drawn to a reactor for performing a chemical reaction,

classified in class 204, subclass 242.

The applicant elects to prosecute Group I without traverse. The claims readable thereon are claims 1-26 and 29-31.

In the event that the examiner wishes to discuss any aspect of this response, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

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